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SUBJECT: Elevation of the OU 7-10 Dispute Resolution to the Senior Executive Committee
(EM-ER 01-057)

References:

1. March 21, 2001, letter from Michael F. Gearheard to Jerry L. Lyle, Subject: "Response to DOE's Invocation of Dispute."
2. March 27, 2001, letter from Orville D. Green to Jerry L. Lyle, Subject: "Pit 9 – Response to Department of Energy's Invocation of Dispute."

Dear Mr. Green and Mr. Gearheard:

In response to the requests made by both EPA Region 10 and Idaho's Department of Environmental Quality, Department of Energy agrees to elevate dispute resolution actions immediately to the Senior Executive Committee rather than begin discussions with the Dispute Resolution Committee. The first meeting of members of the Senior Executive Committee will occur in Idaho Falls on April 4, 2001.

Sincerely,


Jerry L. Lyle, Assistant Manager
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RECORD NOTES:

1. This letter documents the elevation of the PIT 9 Dispute to the SEC.
2. This letter was written by Kathleen Hain for Jerry Lyle's signature.
3. This letter/memo closes OATS number N/A
4. The attached correspondence has no relation to the Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program.
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